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SUBJ: DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES BETWEEN SPAIN AND U.S.

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1. FOLLOWING IS INFORMAL EMBASSY TRANSLATION OF DRAFT SPANISH-US  
DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES PROPOSED BY FOREIGN MINISTER.

BEGIN QUOTE:

THE GOVERNMENTS OF SPAIN AND THE U.S. CERTIFY THAT THEIR COOPERATION  
SINCE 1953 HAS BEEN BENEFICIAL FOR THE SECURITY OF BOTH COUNTRIES,  
HAS STRENGTHENED THE DEFENSE OF THE WEST AND HAS CONTRIBUTED TO THE  
MAINTENANCE OF WORLD PEACE, WITH SPAIN PLAYING AN IMPORTANT ROLE  
IN THIS REGARD IN THE ATLANTIC AND MEDITERRANEAN ZONES.

THEY PROCLAIM THEIR RESOLVE TO PURSUE THEIR EFFORTS FOR THE  
CONSOLIDATION OF PEACE, AS WELL ON BEHALF OF DENTENTE, AND TO THIS  
END THEY PARTICIPATE IN THE CONFERENCE OF SECURITY AND COOPERATION  
IN EUROPE AND IN OTHER IMPORTANT INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS WHILE  
THEY REAFFIRM THEIR FAITH IN THE PURPOSES AND PRINCIPLES OF THE  
UNITED NATIONS AND THEIR SUPPORT OF ACTIVITIES WHICH IT PROMOTES.

BUT SO LONG AS A GENERAL, COMPLETE AND  
CONTROLLED DISARMAMENT DOES NOT PERMIT THE RISK OF AGGRESSION TO BE  
ELIMINATED, THEY BELIEVE THAT THE DEFENSIVE TIES WHICH UNITE THEM  
MUST BE MAINTAINED AND THAT THEIR SECURITY CANNOT BE DISREGARDED.

THEY REITERATE THEREFORE THEIR INTENT TO CONTINUE EXISTING  
COOPERATION--BASED ON FIRM FRIENDSHIP--THROUGH RECIPROCAL SUPPORT OF  
THEIR DEFENSIVE EFFORTS IN ORDER TO STRENGTHEN THEIR OWN  
SECURITY AND WITH IT THE SECURITY OF THE FREE WORLD.

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THEY CONFIRM, IN FACT, THAT OVER 20 YEARS COOPERATION BETWEEN BOTH

PARTIES HAS BEEN A BASIC FACTOR OF GENERAL SECURITY AND HAS REINFORCE

THAT OF THE COMMUNITY OF THE ATLANTIC COUNTRIES, PRESERVING COMMON VALUES, IDEALS AND ASPIRATIONS BASED ON INDIVIDUAL DIGNITY AND LIBERTY.

THEY ATTEST THAT THE NATION CONSTITUTED AS A STATE IS AN ACHIEVEMENT CONSECRATED BY THE HISTORY OF THEIR PEOPLES AND A BASIC ELEMENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY, AND THAT THE PRESERVATION OF THE NATIONAL ENTITY IS CO-SUBSTANTIAL WITH THEIR COOPERATION, BY REASON OF WHICH THEY AFFIRM THAT SOVEREIGN EQUALITY, TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY, POLITICAL INDEPENDENCE, THE RIGHT TO ORGANIZE THEMSELVES FREELY AND TO ATTAIN THEIR WELL BEING ARE FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES WHICH BOTH COUNTRIES WILL SCRUPULOUSLY RESPECT AND HAVE RESPECTED. THEY BELIEVE THAT THEIR MUTUAL DEFENSIVE EFFORT IS COMPLEMENTARY TO THAT OF EXISTING ORGANIZATIONS IN THE ATLANTIC FRAMEWORK AND THAT AN EQUAL GUARANTEE SHOULD ENCOMPASS ALL THE COUNTRIES

OF THE REGION, IN CONSEQUENCE OF WHICH THEY CONSIDER IT APPROPRIATE THAT THEIR DEFENSIVE COOPERATION BE COORDINATED WITH THAT OF THOSE ORGANIZATIONS, PROMOTING THE CORRESPONDING AGREEMENTS, BEING CONVINCED THAT RECIPROCAL SECURITY AND INTEGRITY ARE ESSENTIAL FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF PEACE AND THE SECURITY OF THE ATLANTIC AND MEDITERRANEAN AREA WHOSE PRESERVATION REQUIRES THE EFFORT OF ALL.

THEY REAFFIRM, THEREFORE, THAT AN ATTACK OR THREAT TO EITHER OF THE

TWO COUNTRIES WOULD JOINTLY EFFECT BOTH, AND THAT TO CONFRONT THEM EACH COUNTRY WOULD ADOPT THE APPROPRIATE MEASURES IN ACCORDANCE WITH ITS CONSTITUTIONAL STANDARDS. TO THIS EFFECT THEY WILL CONTINUE TO CONSOLIDATE THEIR DEFENSIVE COOPERATION TO ENSURE AN EFFICIENT EFFORT

AND EQUITY IN MUTUAL BENEFITS WITH THE OBJECTIVE OF MAKING CLEAR THAT THE COMMON DEFENSE IS ONE AND INDIVISIBLE.

THEY RECOGNIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF THE ATTAINMENT OF THE IDEALS OF INDEPENDENCE, PROGRESS, SOCIAL JUSTICE AND WELFARE OF THE IBERO-AMERICAN NATIONS FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF WORLD PEACE AS WELL AS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF CLOSE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE COUNTRIES OF BOTH SIDES OF THE ATLANTIC AND THEY REITERATE THEIR WILL TO CONTRIBUTE IN DECISIVE MANNER TO THE PROMOTION OF THESE OBJECTIVES.

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AWARE THAT COOPERATION SHOULD BE REFLECTED IN ALL FIELDS. THEY BELIEVE THAT HARMONIOUS POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC RELATIONS CONSTITUTE VALUABLE SUPPORT FOR SECURITY, INsofar AS THEY PERMIT EACH COUNTRY TO BENEFIT FROM THE PROGRESS OF THE OTHER. TO THIS END BOTH GOVERNMENTS WILL ACT BY AGREEMENT TO ELIMINATE CONFLICTS BETWEEN THEIR RESPECTIVE ECONOMIC POLICIES AND WHATEVER OBSTACLES MAY ARISE IN THE WAY OF THEIR COLLABORATION. THEY WILL ADVANCE THEIR ECONOMIC TECHNICAL

AND TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION BY ALL MEANS AND THIS NOT ONLY FOR  
THEIR OWN BENEFIT BUT ALSO FOR THAT OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.  
SIMILARLY, GUIDED BY THEIR PERMANENT FRIENDSHIP AND FOR THE  
ACHIEVEMENT OF COMMON OBJECTIVES, THEY WILL CONSULT FREQUENTLY  
AT ALL APPROPRIATE LEVELS ON ALL MATTERS OF COMMON INTEREST.  
FINALLY, THEY DECLARE THAT THE FRIENDLY RELATIONS BETWEEN SPAIN  
AND THE UNITED STATES WILL NOT BE DIRECTED AGAINST ANY COUNTRY  
BUT WILL HAVE AS ITS PURPOSE TO PRESERVE THE INDEPENDENCE AND  
DEVELOPMENT OF THE WELFARE OF THEIR PEOPLES, DESIRING THAT THEIR  
COMMON EFFORT CONTINUE TO CONTRIBUTE TO WORLD PEACE AND THE PROGRESS  
OF HUMANITY. END QUOTE  
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